

## ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Sunday-school Convention of the Brethren church of Pennsylvania, will be held in the Salisbury church, (Elk Lick P. O., Somerset Co., Pa.,) September 17, 18, 19, and 20, 1896.

It will be remembered that the Salisbury congregation is but a little over four months old. The brethren and sisters of this charge are heartily pleased in their new church relationship, and are anxious to entertain the coming conference, and become better acquainted with the ecclesiastical workers in our communion.

We trust the ministers and pastors will report such church news as may need to be brought before the conference, and also offer suggestions from time to time for the program. We wish to have a splendid convention.

We give this notice sufficiently soon so that everything may be in readiness on the appointed dates. The Salisbury church desire that the brethren remain over the Sabbath, and that ministers in our fellowship supply the several pulpits in Salisbury and vicinity.

J. C. MACKEY, Pres. Pa. State-Con.  
Meyersdale, Pa.

## FROM GLENDALE, ARIZONA.

I would like to say a few words to our fraternity in regard to this country and climate. Glendale is located nine miles north-west of Phoenix, in the Salt River valley of Arizona. The soil is very fertile here. We raise wheat, barley, oats, and corn. If you wish potatoes, both Irish and sweet potatoes do excellent here, grow to an enormous size, weigh from twenty to thirty pounds. A tuber very often, from two to four pounds. Vegetables of all kinds do well here.

In grass, the alfalfa is king. It takes the place of corn and clover in the north and east. Stock of all kind does well on it. It is a greater fat producing food than corn or clover, besides it is a great honey plant. Bees gather the best of honey from it. If it is not pastured you can cut from four to five crops in a year. We came here on January 1, 1896, and J. W. Forney was shocking his last year's crop, which was the fifth cutting for that season. And at this writing, March 22, it is about twenty inches high. It is ready to be cut again. Nearly all kinds of fruit is raised here in this valley, and begin to bear two years from setting, that is peaches and apricots.

I measured two cotton wood trees that were set out four years ago last February. They were just twigs when stuck, and today they measure thirty-five inches in circumference. I set out apricot trees

for Rev. Peter Forney two years ago last February. To-day some measure twelve inches in circumference. Some of them bore about one quart of apricots per tree. Peaches last from June to December. Grapes you can raise to your hearts content. Climate all that can be asked for, it seems to be an asylum for lung and throat trouble, and all kindred diseases.

Now, I would say to all of those good people who want to change climate, from the cold, chilly north and east, come here and pay us a visit. We want to start a Brethren church here. We can do it. Now to those who want to know more about our country, please enclose two, two cent stamps, one for a letter from me, and one for a pamphlet from the Chamber of Commerce, which gives about a true history of our country.

H. B. LEHMAN.

## HOOSIER ECHOES.

At my last writing I was at Loree, in protracted work. The weather was very inclement and the roads almost impassable at times. On account of that, and some other causes we closed after holding twelve nights. Two made the good confession.

We preached our farewell sermon there on the 18, leaving a field where there is room for lots of hard work, and taking up a field where the work is no less, but where I feel my labors will result in more good.

Instead of preaching at Flora during the week as I have done for the past year, I will give them the Sunday I have been giving to Loree. However, the Flora brethren and sisters can be commended for their faithful attendance at mid-week preaching, and their faithfulness has been rewarded, for during the twelve months past that I have been preaching there, forty-three members have been added to the church. May other congregations continue in the faith and receive the reward of the faithful.

R. R. TEETER.

Rossville, Ind.

## FROM UNION, SALEM.

As I have been appointed Corresponding Secretary to the EVANGELIST, will report that we are still progressing in our work here, also that we met March 2, at our regular quarterly meeting for the purpose of electing new officers. Brother Perry conducted the meeting. We elected two new deacons, my father and brother John Kilian. Brother Perry preached for us on Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night. His work was very much appreciated. Pray for us that we may still keep on in the good work.

CORA BECKNELL.

## FROM FARMERSVILLE, O.

At this time we have a report that may be called a good one. Brother Shively has held a revival for nearly four weeks with four additions. As the opposition in the difference of baptism here is so great, we think this doing well. And they were all the heads of families. Three of these have made their first steps toward the kingdom, and one is a good Christian lady from the U. B. church who is willing to go with her companion, as the Brethren church seems to be his choice. I believe there has been one young lady since, that is ready for baptism. May the good work go on in the spirit of the Lord, and many others be brought into the fold of Christ.

MRS. LEAH HAVEN.

## FROM M'VEYTOWN, PA.

Missions east of the Alleghanies are doing well. We have had three additions since my last report. These fields are in a healthy condition. I was in New Jersey one month. The weather was rough, and circumstances were against the work. Our meetings at McAlisterville, Pa., were successful.

M. M. STERLING.

## TWO EVILS.

Two serious, and, we fear, growing evils, are in the church. The one, the tendency to exalt gifts in the preacher above grace. There is a clamor for pulpit men who will please and be popular. This tends ever to depreciate the holiness of the ministry. The other tendency is to stress the material prosperity of the church, to give weight to numbers, importance to the wealth and social position of the members. This is to discount personal piety. In so far as we estimate and emphasize the material in preacher or church, in so far do we fail to emphasize personal holiness, and just to that degree does apostasy set in.—*Christian Advocate*.

We know a man's treasures by the way he keeps his eye on them. It is not often that one loses a circus ticket, but we have visited many houses where nobody knew just where to look for the family Bible.

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